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RELIEF SOCIETY, M.I.A. CONFERENCE WELL ATTENDED

The regular quarterly Stake conference held September 2 and 3, had as its chief business the annual convention work of the Relief Society and the M. I. A. In attendance from Salt Lake City were Elder George Albert Smith of the Council of the Twelve, Burton K. Farnsworth, second assistant superintendent of the Y. M. M. I. A., Sisters Nettie D. Bradford of the Relief Society General Board and Ileen An Waspe and Angelyn Warnick of the Y. W. M. I. A.

First session of the Relief Society was Saturday afternoon under the direction of President Anna Ellsworth. The uual Saturday evening priesthood session was dispensed with so that the M. I. A. could have a full evening to develop its new program. Principal change in this program is the elimination of the senior group (younger married people), and the fusion of that group with the M Men-Gleaners and the Adults. The Aaronic priesthood extension plan was considered and explained in detail to the

young men by Elder Farnsworth.

Sunday morning was the only general conference session. Perhaps the high spot of this meeting, aside from the timely remarks of Elder Smith, were the reports of three returned missionaries, Elders King E. Beagley, Clifford E. Bagley and Eugene Hilton, Jr. The fact that the first two spent their missions in England, and the latter in Germany, made their talks the more interesting, since they came on the same day that England declared war on Germany. Elders Beagley and Bagley spoke of the great change that has come over Britain in its attitude toward the Mormons, and how participation in athletics has opened the doors to the elders. Elder Hilton spoke of the German saints and asked that they and the German people be not misjudged; there is a great distinction between the German people and the German government. It is not as here where the people are the governmnt. He mentioned the riots that took place in Germany following the killing of a German consular officer by a young Jew in Paris some months ago. These riots, in which Jewish shops were gutted, were conducted by storm troopers and not by the people, though afterwards "affidavits" were procured that they were the work of popular indignation which the police could not control.

Sunday afternoon was devoted to work meetings of Relief Society and the M. I. A., and Sunday evening a young people's conference was held. The M. I. A. theme, the First and Second Commandments, was ably presented by Marjorie Evans of the Stake board; following which the question, "Why go to church?" was effectively dramatized. The meeting was concluded by able addresses from the Salt Lake visitors, particularly Elder Smith who has spent a great part of his life in M. I. A. work.

COMING EVENTS

September 9, 10-M-Men-Gleaner outing, Castle Rock Park. September 12-Opening ward M. I. A.

September 29 - Opening Stake party, Berkeley ward amusement hall. October 6-Deseret Club party.

JOE ROY HILTON DEPARTS

September 3rd was a big day in the Hilton household. Sending a son off for a two or three year mission is always an event, but when

it has to be sandwiched into a day filled with conference sessions and business, especially when one of the features of the conference is the return remarks of another son, it makes the day pretty full.

Joe Roy Hilton could truly sing, "I don't know where I'm going but I'm on my way," as he boarded the Pacific Limited Sunday morning. Called originally to go to Germany where he hoped to tread the ground prepared by his brother,



a Country

Eugene, the outbreak of hostilities of course, makes that impossible. It will probably be a week or so before Joe Roy will know where he will be assigned, but the least worried about it is Joe Roy himself. He was tendered a farewell party and testimonial Friday evening at the Dimond chapel, and while disappointed at the way his trip to Europe has faded, he is perfectly ready and willing to go wherever he is needed.

Elder George Albert Smith while here at conference, stated that the various missions in Europe had been instructed to make all preparations to leave at a moment's notice. Missionaries will be concentrated in the neutral countries, especially in Scandanavia, until they can be evacuated to other fields of labor.

CHANGE IN MARTINEZ

By reason of ill health Andrew Easton, Jr., who for several years has served as first counselor to Bishop John T. Abbott of Martinez, was recently released, and Albert Guymon was set apart by Elder George Albert Smith to succeed him. This change comes at a time when the bishopric is taking on added responsibilities incident to the starting of actual construction work on the new ward chapel. Approval has been received from the presiding bishop's office of the plans for this chapel and construction will begin immediately. It is planned to build first the recreation unit, to be used also as a chapel until the chapel itself can be com-

Elder Andrew Easton, Jr., was born in Olney, Wyoming, September 28, 1895. His parents were converts to the church, and were married in the Logan Temple. Andrew is a veteran of the World War, serving as a machine gunner in the gist division. He was severely wounded in the battle of the Argonne. Following his discharge from the army, he attended the University of Utah for three years, majoring in accounting. In 1925 he was married to Audrey Helum of Salt Lake City; they have two children. In 1926 he moved his family to Martinez where he has been with the Associated Oil Company. He has been active in the Church ever since, serving for some time as ward clerk, and since then as first counselor to the three bishops who have successively had charge of

RECREATION PLANS ARE **FORMULATED**

1939-1940 Season to See Grouping of Wards, Budget Plan

A comprehensive plan for the recreational event of the 1939-40 season has been worked out by the Stake M. I. A. board in conjunction with the ward bishops. The plan contemplates supplementing the program of Stake parties with ward group parties to provide more frequent entertainment, and to fit into the ward budget system. Elsewhere in this issue is a tentative schedule of yearly events, which should be preserved for reference purposes.

Briefly, the plan calls for a division of the Stake into three parts. Group one is comprised of Alameda, Dimond, Elmhurst and Hayward wards. Group two is Berkeley, Claremont, Oakland and Richmond wards. Group three is Martinez and Vallejo wards and Pittsburg and Napa branches. The wards in each group will alternate in playing host to the other wards of the respective groups at the time specified in the schedule. These ward or group parties will be supplemented by the usual Stake-wide events which have been traditionalized in the past. Through this method of grouping, it is anticipated that the quality and quantity of parties will be vastly improved while the expense should be kept to a minimum and evenly

The plan contemplates that each ward will be put strictly on a budget basis. The ward or group parties shall not be charged for at the door, but admission shall be by budget ticket, the tickets distributed by the bishops to ward members who pay their budget quota toward the maintenance of the ward. There shall be no selling of tickets nor soliciting of funds for these group entertainments, but the expense thereof shall be met out of the ward budgets, being pro-rated among the wards of the group. A ward budget ticket shall admit the holder to all functions of his particular group of wards.

A special situation exists as to group three which calls for modification of the plan in accordance with experience in operation. Neither Pittsburg nor Napa branches have M. I. A. organizations; furthermore, this group is divided by a toll bridge. It is recommended, therefore, that an activity committee be appointed in each of these branches to confer with the M. I. A. officials of the two wards in the group, and work out a program which will best fit the needs of the group. As an additional help to group three, the budget tickets of this particular group will be honored in all group functions of groups one and

To avoid throwing too large a burden upon ward budgets, Stake parties will be financed Continued on page two

Elder Guymon, the new first counselor, is a native of Brigham City, born December 5. 1904. He has been Sunday School superintendent, M. I. A. assistant, teacher and ward clerk. He is employed by the Shell Oil Company.

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"Behold, I will send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me; and the Lord whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple."—Mal. 3:1.

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AGAIN, WHAT'S WRONG WITH SACRAMENT MEETING ATTENDANCE?

Several issues back, The Messenger invited comment and suggestions on what should be done to increase attendance at sacrament meeting—the most important meeting of the Church, but the most poorly attended.

Evidently people are doing some thinking on the subject. Some of those thoughts have reached us in writing, some orally. But we'd like a bigger, more wide-spread expression of opinion. Why not obey that impulse, sit down and write to The Messenger, 793 Cragmont Avenue, Berkeley, giving us your slant on this vital problem? What you have observed, what you think, what you recommend, may well help to solve the difficulty. Let's hear from you!

RECREATION PLANS

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as they have been in the past. That is, admission will be charged at the door; ward budget tickets will not be honored at these parties.

To illustrate the simplicity of the plan, it will be noted that on November 22 the Stake will entertain at the annual Utah-Idaho ball. Admission will be charged at the door. On December 1st, some ten days later, Elmhurst ward entertains the wards of its group: Alameda, Dimond and Hayward; Vallejo entertains those of its group: Napa, Pittsburg and Martinez; and Oakland entertains the wards of its group: Berkeley, Richmond and Claremont. Admission to each of these ward parties will be by budget ticket.

ASSIGNMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER

Alameda: Clyde J. Summerhays.
Berkeley: Eugene Hilton.
Claremont: I. B. Ball, Don J. Allphin.
Dimond: Ralph J. Barney, George Southgate.
Elmhurst: O. Leslie Stone, John G. Shields.
Hayward: Claude M. Dewsnup, Victor Lindblad.
Martinez: Delbert F. Wright, Elmo Carr.
Napa: W. Glenn Harmon.
Oakland: Don C. Wood, Leo Crandall.
Richmond: Wayne E. Mayhew, Oscar Fontana.
Vallejo: Grant Ellis, Wm. J. Nielsen.
Pittsburg: Nathan G. Tolman, Hugh P. Anderson.

MESSAGE OF THE STAKE PRESIDENCY

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Since the beginning of time, the family unit has been an honored instrument in the hand of God for bringing about His holy purposes. The patriarchal form of government was in vogue for generations wherein the head of the family had within his jurisdiction the life and death of the members of his family. We may or may not agree that the patriarchal form of government is the desired or most efficient form. Beyond question, however, seems the fact that the well-ordered home is a potent factor in raising the standards of life and living.

Experts on the subject tell us that loose and disrupted home life is responsible for much of the crime and unhappiness in the world today. We are further told that the greatest hope for improved conditions in the world of today lies in the possibility for improved home conditions

We urge the saints to leave no stone unturned to weld their separate homes into a perfect family unit. It is urged that the "old-fashioned" home night be revived where it is not now being practiced. The promise has been made that any Latter-day Saint family that will hold one night each week sacred for tamily study and enjoyment shall never have a member go so far astray that he shall be unable to be brought back into the fold. It is also felt that in the family circle the principles of the gospel can be taught in a way that cannot be done under any other circumstances. Unless our children are getting a knowledge and testimony of the gospel, we as parents shall not be held blameless before our Maker.

Let us as heads of families, exercise our leadership toward cementing of our family ties, improving citizenship, moral courage, greater joy in living, knowledge and testimony of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Sincerely your brethren,
EUGENE HILTON.
W. GLENN HARMON.
CLYDE J. SUMMERHAYS.

M-MEN, GLEANERS OUTING

The Oakland Stake M-Men and Gleaner Girls join San Francisco Stake M-Men and Gleaner Girls in an over-night outing at Castle Rock Park, four miles east of Walnut Creek at the foot of Mt. Diablo on the week-end of September 9th and 10th. There will be games of all kinds, swimming, dancing and a camp fire program. There will be a Sunday School service Sunday morning in the open air.

OBITUARIES

Mrs. Margaret Pierpont Gardner, one of the Stake's most widely known and talented members, died at her home in Berkeley on Thursday, August 31, at 4:40



p. m. She is survived by her husband, Reed S. Gardner, former Stake clerk, her three children, Reed, aged 10 years, David, aged 6 years, and Vilate, aged 14 months; her father and mother, Thomas F. and Vilate Smoot Pierpont, and six brothers and sisters. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon in the Berkeley ward, and interment was in the Sunset View Cemetery.

Margaret Pierpont
Gardner

Mrs. Gardner was born
in Provo, Utah, November 10, 1903. She was educated in the Provo
public schools, the Brigham Young University
and the University of Utah. She filled a two
year mission to the Eastern States. On December 28, 1926, she was married to her husband
in the Salt Lake Temple and came to Berkeley
to live. She has been active in church work
all her life. She has been president of the
Y. W. M. I. A. of Berkeley ward for several
years, and has been on the Stake board of the

Lindley Lewis, the eleven-year-old son of Peggy and Olin Lewis, was stricken with infantile paralysis and after a short illness died September 1. Lindley was prominent in Primary work, and as a boy soprano, a member of the boys' choir. Our deepest sympathy is extended to his bereaved parents and to his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. McKaig.

Our sympathy is extended to Ernest Dixon, who just received the sad news of his brother's death while on a mission in England. His brother, Phillip John Dixon, left for the mission field from the twenty-second ward of the Salt Lake Stake, he was but 21 years of age.

Henry L. Lamoreoux passed away at his home August 30, after a lingering illness. He was near 80 years of age. His early life was spent in Idaho and Utah, he had always been an active member of the church, having been a member of three Bishroprics and the Stake Presidency. He leaves three sons, Howard, Vaughn, and Dave Lamoreoux. His funeral was held at the Cooper Mortuary, September 2.

If you want to receive The Mes-SENGER, your name sent to the circulation department will do the trick—and your help on your ward budget will help on the expense.

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OAKLAND STAKE RECREATION PROGRAM, 1939-1940

Following is the tentative program of recreational events, September, 1939, to May, 1940. It is, of course, subject to change, but will be adhered to as closely as may be possible. No functions should be planned by any group which conflicts with any of the dates herein set forth. Indeed, it is imperative that in scheduling any event, if that event is of ward interest, that the M.I.A. officials of the ward be consulted and a clearance obtained from them; if the event is of importance outside the ward, the Stake M.I.A. officials should be consulted and a clearance obtained. The Stake program is under the immediate supervision of J. Oran Yorgason, 1727 Indian Way, Oakland, Pledmont 0454-J. Unless clearance is obtained from him, conflict will inevitably result.

The following schedule is based upon the wards being divided into three groups; each ward plays host to the others of its group on the date indicated. Admission to these group parties will be by ward budget ticket. The groups are as follows: Group One—Alameda, Dimond, Elmhurst, Hayward. Group Two—Berkeley, Richmond, Claremont, Oakland. Group Three—Martinez, Pittsburg, Napa, Vallejo.

Budget tickets issued by any ward will be good for ward functions of any other ward of the particular group; but budget tickets issued by group three shall be good for functions of all of the wards in all of the groups.

For Stake functions, budget tickets will not be good, but a charge shall be made.

Full details of the time and place of each party will be given in ample time before it takes place. WATCH "THE MESSENGER" FOR

DATE	Alameda	Berkeley	Claremont	Dimond	Elmhurst	Hayward	Martinez	Napa	Oakland	Pittsburg	Richmond	Vallejo
September 9-10					M. ME	N OVER-	NIGHT C	UTING				
September 12	OPENING WARD PARTIES											
September 22		1 11			Host	1	1	1	Host	1	1	Hos
September 29	OPENING STAKE PARTY—BERKELEY WARD RECREATION HALL											
October 6		Deseret	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
October 13	Host	Club Party						Host			Host	
October 20	STAKE GENEALOGICAL PARTY											
Sunday, October 22	STAKE BEEHIVE PROGRAM											
October 27	STAKE ADULT PARTY											
November 3		1	Host	1	1	Host	Host	1	1			
November 10	3	Host		Host						Host		
November 17	STAKE DRAMA											
Wednesday, November 22	STAKE UTAH-IDAHO BALL											
December 1		1	1	1	Host	1	1	1	Host	1		Hos
December 8	Host							Host			Host	
December 15			Host			Host	Host					
December 22		Host		Host				1		Host		
Sunday, December 24	STAKE CHRISTMAS MUSICAL											
Saturday, December 30	STAKE NEW YEAR'S PARTY											
January 5	STAKE JUNIOR-EXPLORERS' PARTY											
January 12			1		Host			1	Host			Host
January 19	Host						Host			Host		
January 26	STAKE M. MEN-GLEANER PARTY											
February 2		1	Host		1	Host	Host		1		1	
February 9		Host		Host						Host		
February 16	DATE OPEN											
February 23	STAKE BOY SCOUT- BEEHIVE PARTY											
March 1					1	Host			Host			
March 8	STAKE M. MEN BASKETBALL PARTY											
March 15	STAKE GREEN AND GOLD BALL											
March 22		Host		ĺ		1	1	Host	1	1		1
March 29			Host									Host
April 5	Host						`				Host	
April 12	STAKE OPERA											
April 19	STAKE BEEHIVE SWARM DAY											
April 26		1 .	1		Host	1	Host	1	1	1		
May 3				Host							Host	
Tuesday, May 7	M. I. A. THEME FESTIVAL											

DR. CALKINS COMES TO OAKLAND STAKE

.Dr. William G. Calkins, late of Chicago, has recently arrived in Oakland to take up his residence. He will be associated with the Polytechnic Junior College, in charge of its work in the field of mechanical dentistry for dental technicians.

Dr. Calkins will undoubtedly be a valuable addition to our stake. A native of Salt Lake City, a graduate of the Chicago College of Dental Surgery in 1918, and a veteran of the World War, he has found time in his busy life to keep up his Church duties, serving in numerous capacities in the priesthood quorums and in the auxiliaries.

Dr. Calkins was engaged for several years in the practice of dentistry in Chicago, was there when Chicago Stake was organized and took an active part therein. He has long been interested in the field of mechanical dentistry, and especially in the proper training of efficient dental technicians who do ceramic, crown and bridge work, x-ray work, and other things for

the profession. He states that there is a real dearth of good technicians and that there is an ideal opportunity for young men to get into an excellently paying occupation. Technicians do not, of course, practice dentistry; they do work for dentists, and there is an enormous demand for those who are well qualified, and too few schools who offer proper

The Polytechnic Junior College is opening up a new department to cover the field, and Dr. Calkins will be in charge. The course covers one year, and qualifies its graduates for commercial laboratory work.

training.

WARD TEACHERS' MESSAGE FOR SEPTEMBER, 1939

The Two Great Commandments

Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all

thy soul, and with all thy mind.
This is the first and great commandment.
And the second is like unto it. Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.
On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Matthew 22:37-40

-Matthew 22:37-40. Most of the world's present ills are due to

flagrant disregard of the two great command-ments referred to by Jesus in such striking and forceful language. Most of the difficulties in nations, in communities, and in families arise from the same cause.

The first commandment alone should be sufficient as a guide to both divine and human

relationships. A person who really loves the Lord never does anything to offend, to injure or oppress one of His children. Therefore, loving God, one would also love His children. But because human beings are weak and at

times thoughtless and forgetful, the second great commandment was given: "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." This second admonition clearly was given to reinforce the first. With these two commandments as a guide, members of the human family, except for human weakness and temptation, should have been able so to order their lives that would have happiness and prosperity in this life and salvation in the life to come.

But, again, an allwise Heavenly Father, knowing the weakness of the flesh, gave other commandments, all amplifying the first two and giving specific warning against the most common of human sins.

Latter-day Saints, having been given much light and great blessings, should strive to show appreciation for the goodness of the Lord by accepting as a guide in their lives and in their accepting as a guide in their lives and in their homes, the two great commandments. We, above all people, should love the Lord with all our hearts, our souls, and our minds. We should also love our neighbors, our brethren, and our sisters. This love should not only be acknowledged; it should be demonstrated. We should show our love by building His Kingdom, by living lives that will please Him, by sustaining His chosen servants, by helping each other, by kindness and consideration for the least of His children, the poor, the needy, the humble—in short, by living lives of true Latter-day Saints.

BOYACK-RICHARDS

On August 16, 1939, Miss Grace Richards was united in marriage to Clifton D. Boyack, associate editor of THE MESSENGER, in the Salt Lake Temple. Both young people are members of the Berkeley ward. Miss Richards is ward organist and Mr. Boyack, in addition to THE MESSENGER, is superintendent of Berkeley M. I. A.

Mr. and Mrs. S. LeRoy Richards, parents of the bride, went to Salt Lake City for the ceremony. They were met there by Mr. and Mrs. George S. Boyack, of Delta, Utah, parents of the groom. Mrs. W. Glenn Harmon, sister of the groom, and her baby daughter, Julie, flew to Salt Lake City by United Air Lines to be present at the ceremony and the reception afterward.

The young couple spent a few days in Salt Lake City, then went to Lake Tahoe for a short honeymoon before their return to Berkeley, where Mr. Boyack will take up his duties as a teacher in the Burbank Junior High School.

WARD NEWS

HAYWARD WARD

Services Held at 1070 B Street

Miss Nelda Johnston has returned home from a short vacation in Los Angeles.

Mrs. David A. McClellan and son, Bobby, of Los Angeles, have enjoyed a two weeks' visit wih her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ross McClellan.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Loomis have had as their house guest Mr. Loomis' mother, from Kansas. Mr. and Mrs. Chris Anderson of Chicago, spent a week visiting relatives in the Bay area. Among them were a son and his wife, Harold Anderson of Oakland; a sister and family, Mrs. Sara Johnston, and the Lars Anderson family,

Mrs. Clyde LaPray was pleasantly surprised by the arrival of her father from Idaho. A nephew accompanied him and is enjoying an extended vacation.

First counselor to the bishop, Mike Webb, and family have just returned from a three weeks' trip to Utah, their former home. They visited relatives in Delta, and were among the 95 couples making the trip through the Salt Lake Temple on August 7, its first opening day this fall.

DIMOND WARD

Services Held in Chapel at 3618 Dimond Avenue, Oakland

One of the outstanding affairs of the month was the lovely reception, August 12 at the Hilton home, given in honor of their son, Eugene, who has recently returned from a European mission, and for their son, Joe Roy, who is leaving shortly for a mission. About two hundred guests called during the afternoon.

The opening Relief Society party was given the afternoon of August 22. was enjoyed by a large group. Melvina Earl is the new First Counsellor to President Shurtliff.

Junius Payne, with his wife and children,

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drove to Salt Lake City to attend the Dixon family reunion. They were accompanied by Maureen Dixon and Sarah Summerhays.

Curtis and Mary Bybee are spending their vacation at Salt Lake City.

Eugene Jacobs took a group of boy scouts for a week's outing on the Eel River. Blanche Jacobs and Mildred Morgan accompanied them. The Weindorf family are happy to welcome home their daughter, June, and her husband,

Elmo Smith, who have come to Oakland to make their home.

Irene Briggs is leaving the first of September for a two weeks' trip to Alaska.

The H. R. McKaigs celebrated their golden

wedding anniversary August 15, with relatives and friends. They received many lovely gifts.
Our sympathy is extended to Relief Society President who lost her mother last month.

CLAREMONT WARD

Services Held at 2980 Adeline Street, Berkeley

Bishop Reed Chase and family are enjoying a vacation at Clear Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. P. Woods have returned from the north. Mrs. Woods will remain here, while Mr. Woods will go to Yosemite Valley to work for the government on road construction work.

Ray Karpis was baptized July 29 at Oakland ward. Mr. Karpis has been attending Claremont ward for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carr have been entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Harry McCarroll and son, Grant. Mrs. McCarroll is the sister of Mrs. Carr. The McCarrolls are from Redlands.

September 2 is homecoming day for the Primary. It will be a field and play day. It will also welcome Helen Canning, Sady Paul, Jennie Olson and Margaret Colvin as new primary teachers.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gains and three sons, Jim, Collin and Tommy, left for a fishing trip Sunday, August 20.

The Misses Dorothy Hermance and Dorothy Perry gave a shower, August 17, for Mrs. Boice Carr, formerly Mildred Cardwell. Twenty-eight were present. Marian Ellsworth gave a reading and Cleone Rogers sang a solo.

Tom and Lorna Birchall have gone to Ogden, Utah, for a visit with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carr gave a welcomehome tamale feed for Elder Clifford Bagley, a returned missionary. Other guests of honor were Miss Winnie Gains, fiancee to Clifford, and Stanley and Boice Carr who were celebrating their birthdays.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Earl Chase of Long Beach spent two weeks with Bishop Reed Chase. Mrs. Grace Wright, who is visiting Mr. and

Mrs. Kirk Millward, will be here until after

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Christmas. Mrs. Wright is from Australia.

Saturday, August 13, Claremont and Oakland wards joined hands and played together at a picnic in Live Oak Park in Berkeley. Volleyball and races provided some of the fun in the afternoon, while an entertainment and weinie roast was held at night, followed by more volleyball. Jack Millward was master of cere-

Heber Russell and family returned in the middle of August from a month's visit to Salt Lake City.

Mrs. Clara Chase, mother of Bishop Chase, returned from a short visit to Utah.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hammond and son, Maurice, from Grantsville are here visiting with

Sil Milward and family. Mr. and Mrs. Hammond are the parents of Roberta Millward.

The opening social of the Mutual will be held September 12. It will be a program and other entertainment. The girls' chorus, led by Ardell Kay, will be part of the program.

Walter Brown, brother of Heber Brown, and

family spent a six weeks' vacation with Heber and family. Mr. Brown is from Magrath, Alberta, Canada.

On August 22 the Mutual held a small dancing social, which included dancing lessons. Miss Ruth Tarter returned from her vacation in Vallejo.

MARTINEZ WARD

Services Held at 1022 Thompson Street, Martinez

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Manning, former ward members, are now making their home in Santa

Miss Eleanora Dahlquist of Los Angeles was a recent visitor at the Ray Evenson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Evenson and baby daughter are spending their vacation in Los Angeles visiting with relatives.

The Claude Wadsworth family enjoyed a vacation trip up the Redwood Highway and to the Oregon Caves.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Guymon spent their vacation at Grass Valley. Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Grover and Mrs. Ray Cook have returned from a vacation trip to

Mr. Gilbert Roskelly and daughter, Juanita, have returned from a trip to Utah. And now

Juanita is at Sonoma for a short stay. Bishop Abbott and family and Mrs. Harry Runnings will leave, August 30, for a vacation

trip to Vancouver, B. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Barker and sons, Heaton and Robert, of Salt Lake City, and Mrs. Dan Stoddard of Rexburg, Idaho, were recent visitors at the E. J. Cullum home in Concord.

Mr. and Mr. William Johnson of Spanish

Fork, Utah, recently visited at the home of his brother, Einer Johnson. A nephew, Blaine Johnson, of Spanish Fork, was also a visitor and from Springville, Utah, came Marcus Johnson for a visit with his father, Einer Johnson.

Mrs. Lewis Storey of Crockett has her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas of Willard, Utah, visiting with her.

Mrs. Blanche Ecklund and sons, Harold and Clarence, of Vancouver, wasning the home of her brother, Stanley Dahlin, in Concord. At the Glenn Robison home were Mr. and

Mrs. Douglas Walton of Salt Lake City, cousins of Mrs. Robison. For a visit at the William E. Potts home in Walnut Creek came Mr. and Mrs. Ray L. Potts

and three children, and Mr. Harold Potts, all

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of Salt Lake City, and Mrs. Gladys Densley of North Hollywood. Mrs. Densley is a daughter and Ray L. and Harold are sons of Mr. Potts.

Miss Margaret Knowles of Logan, Utah, and Misses Margaret and Naomi Sorenson of Salt Lane City, recently visited at the W. B. Knowles

Visitors at the Wadsworth home were Mr. and Mrs. Crowsley and Jackie of Ogden, and Mrs. Sara Young of Corrine, Utah.

To the A. Easton home came Mrs. Easton's brother, Le Roy W. Hillam and wife of Salt Lake City, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Boyce of Murray, Utah, and Mr. and Mrs. L. Nelson of Brigham City. Also Mrs. A. W. Hillam and daughters, Marcia Lu and Elsie May. Mr. Easton's sister, Marie Easton of Kemmerer, Wyoming, and another sister, Mrs. James Mc-Vicars and husband and son of Anaconda,

The Primary organization held their homecoming party September 2.

VALLEJO WARD Meet at 2010 Marin Street, Vallejo

After an enjoyable trip to Ogden, Utah, Walter Bolander, scoutmaster of Troop 9, has returned and is busy with scout duties.

Mrs. A. H. Woodland and daughter, Sheila, of Salt Lake City have returned to their home after an enjoyable visit in our ward as guests of Mrs. Woodland's sister, Elizabeth Brown.

Sunday evening, July 30, the speakers at sacrament meeting were Alice Bundies and J. La Roy Murdock of the Napa branch, this being the last Sunday that Napa members were to meet with Vallejo ward. The same evening we were also favored with an interesting talk by Mr. Jewel Skousen of Washington, D. C., telling many interesting things concerning the progress of the Church in that locality.

Saturday evening, August 12, the Vallejo ward entertained the Napa branch at a farewell party in the church building.

Members of the ward presented the Napa branch with a lovely set of books for their pulpit. A program was rendered and delicious refreshemnts served, after which dancing was enjoyed. There was about 125 members present.

Bishop and Mrs. Alvin G. Cheshire and Mr. and Mrs. B. Wells Shurtleff have returned to Vallejo after a delightful vacation spent at Guernewood Park on the Russian River.

BERKELEY WARD

All Services Held at Chapel, Corner Vine and Walnut Streets, Berkeley

The marriage of Cilfton D. Boyack and Grace Richards took place on August 16 at the Salt Lake Temple. The wedding reception was held at the home of the bride's brother, E. R. Richards, in Salt Lake City. After a honeymoon at Lake Tahoe the couple returned to

Berkeley, where they will make their home.

A Berkeley ward picnic was held on August 12 at Tilden Park, sponsored by the new M.I.A. officers. During the evening a baseball game was played, the captains being I. B. Ball and J. Edward Johnson. Later in the evening a camp fire was enjoyed, with community singing and a short program under the direction of the Mutual officers.

Sunday evening, August 20, the musical portion of the sacrament meeting was under the direction of W. King Driggs for the last time before his departure to Los Angeles. During the evening a picture of a portion of Tilden Park, painted by him, was presented to the bishopric. This will be hung in the chapel as a remembrance of Mr. Driggs and all his fine work in Berkeley ward.

Mr. and Mrs Joseph A. Brunt of Idaho Falls presented the program for sacrament meeting on August 13. Mrs. Brunt read an original poem, Mr. Brunt gave a short talk, and their daughter, LaVon Eyreng, gave a dramatic

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Mrs. Orthella Hughes, musical director for the Sunday School, has been introducing special musical numbers during Sunday School. On August 13, she and Oral S. Luke, who is spending the summer in Berkeley, sang a duet, and on the 20th, Francis Nielson sang, and Francelle Larson played the violin.

A farewell party for Mr. Driggs and his wife was held by the choir Saturday evening, August 26th, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. R. L.

Knight.

Mrs. Reed Stevens and daughters, Mary Dawn and E. Anne, have been spending a short time in Berkeley with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Loyd. They are from Salt Lake City.

Also from Salt Lake City are Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Parsons and daughters, Shirley and Peggy, who have been visiting with their relatives, the Frank Parsons of Berkeley.

The opening Mutual social and dance will be held in the ward recreational hall on Friday, September 15. An interesting evening's entertainment is being arranged and all ward members are invited. Regular Mutual class work and activities will begin the following Tuesday, September 19, at 7:30 p. m.

RICHMOND WARD

Services Held in Chapel, Corner 28th Street and Nevin Avenue, Richmond

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Parker and daughter, Marilyn, have been vacationing at Russian

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Hopkins and family have had Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Whittington visiting with them.

Dan C. Wood and R. Kendall Thomas, Stake high councilmen, were speakers Sunday evening, August 20.

Miss Cecil Nafie and Mr. Jack Nafie, of Caldwell, Idaho, have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Whelan.

Alvin Hopkins, Jr., has gone to Missouri where he will attend school this winter.

R. L. Davis of San Francisco, father of Mrs. Arthur L. Hopkins, passed away very suddenly on August 14. Funeral services were held in El Cerrito with L. D. S. elders officiating.

Mrs. Herbert F. Layton and son, Herbert,

Jr., have returned from a two months' vacation in Indiana, New York and Utah.

Mrs. William Bingham, who has been in the hospital, is on the road to recovery.

OAKLAND WARD Services Held at Chapel, Corner Moss Avenue and

The Sunday School has just recently been reorganized with Frank Nelson, as superintendent, and Clifford Bagley as first counselor.

Webster Street, Oakland

Wednesday evening, August 16, the Primary organization gave a party commemorating the 61st anniversary of the Primary. A very nice program was presented by the Primary children, after which everyone received a piece of birthday cake. The Primary will start their year's work Monday, September 11, with the following officers and teachers: Mrs. Irene Ranker as superintendent, Mrs. Rose Ogden as first counselor, Athelia Pitchforth as second counselor, Silvia Baldwin as secretary. Veda Linford as organist, Mildred Bradley and Leona Scheurman. Teachers of the Home Builders group will be Beatrice Tribe, teacher of Blazer Boys group; Mrs. Ivie Breck, teacher of the Zion Boys and Girls group; Yvonne Phillips, teacher of group two; Annie Breckett and Olenna Banks, the kindergarten teachers, and Yvonne Shields, assistant play leader.

Mrs. Helen Frazier has been chosen president of the Young Women's Mutual Improvement Association, with Mrs. Delorio Carruth as

lesson counselor.

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VITAL STATISTICS

THE MESSENGER

BIRTHS: To Mr. and Mrs. Laurie L. Hoagland, Oakland, & son, June 9 To Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Robert Murray, Oakland,

a daughter, August 6. To Mr. and Mrs. Richard LaBronte, Oakland, a

daughter, May 15.
To Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ulrich, Oakland, a daughter, May 25.

BLESSINGS: Louis Gary Hoagland, Oakland, August 6. Sharon Diane Murray, Oakland, August 6. Peggy Ann LaBronte, Oakland, August 6. Helen Louise Ulrich, Oakland, August 6.

Sigrid Elaine Larson, Martinez, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Larson.

Helen Olsen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Olsen,

Hayward. Hal LaPray, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde LaPray,

Hayward. James Edward Webb, son of Mr. and Mrs. Burton

Webb, Hayward.
BAPTISMS AND CONFIRMATIONS:
William Dennis Whelan, Richmond.
Ira Miller Jensen, Richmond. Ira Miller Jensen, Richmond.
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Martha Braby, Berkeley.
Neltje Lydia Eggen, Berkeley.
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Lea Jean Pearce, Dimond.
John Rooks, Hayward.
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Ray Willis, Priest, Hayward.
Richard Eugene Sutherland, Deacon, Dimond.
John Arthur England, Deacon, Dimond.
Fred W. Wiley, Teacher, Oakland.
MARRIAGES:
Clifton D. Boyack and Grace Richards, Berk

Clifton D. Boyack and Grace Richards, Berkeley, in Salt Lake Temple, August 16.

Margaret Pierpont Gardner of Berkeley, August 31. Lindley Lewis of Dimond, September 1. Henry L. Lamoreaux of Dimond, August 30.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Myers and daughter, Marion, just recently returned home after a vacation to Ogden, Utah, their former home. While there a series of showers and entertainment were given in honor of Marion, who will be married September 10 to Mr. Robert S.

Bishop and Mrs. Norberg spent the week end at Carmel.

Mr. and Mrs. Rulon Doxey are vacationing in Southern California.

The choir enjoyed a watermelon party after

choir practice, Thursday night, August 17.
Bishop and Mrs. Shields motored to Los Angeles for a visit with their daughter and sonin-law, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Venturi, who are the proud parents of a lovely 9-pound baby girl, born August 1.

A special discussion class was held at Mrs. Mildred Bradley's home in honor of Mrs. Mary Randall, who was formerly of this ward, but now of Portland, Oregon. Mrs. Randall is vacationing in the bay district.

Mr. E. Leroy Shields and family were visitors of Bishop and Mrs. Shields, from Salt Lake City.

Mr. and Mrs. McAfee, father and mother of Mrs. Norberg, are visiting with the Norbergs for a few weeks.

PITTSBURG

Services Held in American Legion Hall on E Street

On Wednesday, Augut 3, the ladies of the ward gave a garden party at the beautiful Antioch Park. Games and refreshments were enjoyed. It was also the occasion of a pleasant surprise for Mrs. Patterson. There were about fourteen present.

To Mrs. L. Martin of Oakley was born a baby boy on August 5.

August 12 the priesthood had a picnic at Mitchels Park. Swimming and games and a weinie roast were the order of the day. About twenty were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Meredith Wilson, from Berkeley, are spending the week end at the Hinckley

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